

Thomas Jones

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Exquisite Figurines

Crafting in clay the most exquisite evocations of swifts, swallows and sparrows, Year 5 have disarmed staff with their eagerness and artistic prowess. Once finished, the figurines will be displayed communally to be enjoyed by everybody.

In Splendour to Shine

Attention across the school now turns to the current Year 6 cohort. I have, and not for the first time, taken inspiration from 20th Century poet Charles Bukowski, in scribing a few words to galvanise them before they tackle the 2026 SATs tests.

*'Now is the time,
In splendour to shine
As only you can'*

It has been a labour of love preparing the class for the rigour of sustaining one's composure and self-belief. Resilience is at the heart of everything Thomas Jones sets out to achieve. We want all pupils to excel and fulfil their potential. I have faith they will shine. Immediately after test week, the class will depart for an exhilarating few days away at the Marchant's Hill Outward Bound Centre. Upon their return, auditions will begin for their 'final hurrah' - the end of year summer play. Onward!

Transformation

After months of toing and froing, the Oak Rooms Garden area is being given a much-needed upgrade. Melissa Kiley, who leads this initiative, deserves praise. It is no exaggeration to say that this project has added a dynamic. As many of you are aware, we increasingly depend on the generosity of Thomas Jones' families. On this occasion, the funding for the above initiative has been made by the Royal Horticultural Society.

Yours sincerely,



David Sellens